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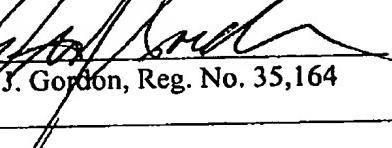
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REPLY

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of July 17, 2006, the Applicant submits this Reply.

Applicant hereby petitions for a one-month extension of time to submit this Reply.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper, of which the **Conclusion** is on page 11.

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